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clerk of Stafford county, who resided at "Green Bank," near Fredericksburg. The Barks family were among the earliest and most permanent settlers of the Northern Neck (see Fitzhugh Letters, *Virginia Magazine of History*; also the "Stuart, Banks, &c., families," *Wm. & Mary Hist. Quarterly*.)

The children of Gerard and Frances<sup>3</sup> (Bruce) Banks were (1) John,<sup>4</sup> an officer in the South, under General Greene, died unmarried; (2) Henry,<sup>4</sup> a lawyer and merchant of Richmond city, a part of the city once called Banktown was named after him; he removed to Kentucky; died unmarried; (3) Gerard,<sup>4</sup> removed to Mississippi; (4) William Bruce,<sup>4</sup> for twenty-five years attorney for the Commonwealth in Charlotte, Halifax, Mecklenburg, Pittsylvania, Henry, Franklin and Patrick counties, Va.; (5) George,<sup>4</sup> who lived at "Green Bank." His descendants removed to Mississippi. Of the daughters, one married Samuel Slaughter, another married a Spotswood, a third married Hening, compiler of the Virginia Statutes. (See "Stuart and Banks families, *William and Mary Hist. Quarterly*; also this Magazine.)

Charles<sup>3</sup> Bruce, the son of the emigrant, was probably born sometime before 1740, as his eldest son James born in 1763. He was twice married: (1) to Diana Banks, of the "Green Bank" family; (2) to Frances, daughter of Colonel George Stubblefield, of the Revolutionary army. The second wife must have been much younger than her husband, as she survived to 1833, after nearly forty-one years of widowhood. The children of Charles<sup>3</sup> and Diana (Banks) Bruce were: James,<sup>3</sup> b. March, 1763; Henry,<sup>3</sup> b. December 4, 1764; Charles,<sup>3</sup> b. September, 1768. The children of Charles<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Stubblefield) Bruce were: Thomas,<sup>3</sup> b. February 1, 1773; William,<sup>3</sup> b. November 7, 1774; Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> b. February 4, 1777. (Family Bible, "Berry Hill," Va.)

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#### THE BROOKE FAMILY OF VIRGINIA.\*

By Prof. ST. GEORGE TUCKER BROOKE, Morgantown, W. Va.

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#### WILL OF COL. GEORGE BROOKE—CONTINUED.

First. I lend unto my son-in-law, Robert Price, and my daughter, Elizabeth Price, or the longest liver of them, during their natural lives, one-fifth part of all my negro slaves, and at the death Robert and Elizabeth, my desire is that the said slaves and their increase may be equally

\* Errors in the article on Brooke Genealogy in the July, 1903, issue, viz: (1) It is not true that Humphrey Brooke, of Fauquier, was "the son of Robert, the Horse Shoe Knight." (See this Magazine for October, 1902.) (2) It is not true that Robert Brooke, "Gentleman Justice in Essex County, 1692 to 1706," was the "fifth son of Robert Brooke," who came to Maryland in 1650. (See this Magazine for January, 1902.)

divided among all my daughter's children and their heirs forever ; Secondly. I do lend unto my daughter, Catherine Tunstall, during her natural life, one-fifth part of all my negro slaves, and at her death my desire is that the said slaves and their increase may be equally divided among all my said daughter's children and their heirs forever; but if she should depart this life without leaving children, in that case my desire is that the said negroes and their increase may be divided equally among all my children ; Thirdly. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Mary Brooke, and to her heirs forever, one-fifth part of my negro slaves, also a horse, saddle and bridle of the value of forty pounds specie, and a feather bed and furniture ; Fourthly. I give and bequeathe to my son, Richard Brooke, and to his heirs forever, the land and plantation whereon I now live, called Mantapike, and all my other lands thereto adjoining (except the land sold to Richard Roe, mentioned in the former part of this will), provided he nor any person claiming under him shall not set up a claim to my land and plantation in King William county, given by this will to my son, William Brooke, or any person claiming under him, shall disturb my son, William Brooke, or those claiming under him, in the possession of the said land; then, and in that case, I give unto my said son, William, and his heirs forever, the land and plantation whereon I now live, called Mantapike, and all my land thereto adjoining. I also give and bequeathe to my said son, Richard, and his heirs, one-fifth part of all my slaves or negroes, also my household and kitchen furniture, all my horses, cattle, sheep and hogs on my plantation in King & Queen, upon his paying the legacy left to my daughter, Mary Brooke, of a horse, saddle and bridle and a feather bed and furniture, and also the legacy of one hundred and twenty-five pounds specie ordered to be paid my son William Brooke, with interest thereon from my decease until the said William comes to the age of twenty-one, or marrys. I also give to my son Richard all the carts, plows & plantation utensils on my lands in King & Queen ; Fifthly. I give and bequeathe to my son, William Brooke, and his heirs forever, my land and plantation in King William county, also one-fifth of all my negro slaves, and also all my stocks of cattle, hogs, sheep and horses, and the carts, plows and plantation utensils on the aforesaid plantation; also the sum of one hundred and twenty-five pounds specie, with interest, to be paid by my son, Richard Brooke ; Sixthly. My desire is that all the rest of my estate may be sold, and the produce thereof divided equally among all my children, or their legal representatives, or applied to the payment of my debts ; Seventhly. My desire is that when my store books are settled and the demands on that account are paid, that my son-in-law, Robert Price, shall be entitled to one-third of the profits made by the trade I carried on from October, 1769, to the breaking up of the store as a satisfaction of his trouble ; Eighthly. My desire is that when my negroes are divided that those that are in the possession of my son-in-

law, Robert Price, and my daughter, Elizabeth Price, may be allotted to them in the one-fifth lent them by this will; provided my other children can have an equal number of the same value allotted to each of them; but if that can not be done, they must be brought into the division generally, as I intend that all my slaves shall be equally divided among all my children; Ninthly. It is to be remembered that I have assigned a bond to my son-in-law, Robert Price, for some negroes that I sold, which I valued to one hundred and forty pounds specie, which sum he must pay to my estate in order to discharge the debts I owe, or to be equally divided among all my children; but if he refuses to do either, the said one hundred and forty pounds must be considered as so much advanced in part of my daughter Elizabeth's portion, and charged as so much paid on that account, and of course the negroes allotted to her must of so much less value than those allotted (sic) to my other children. I do hereby appoint my brother Richard\* and my son-in-law, Robert Price, executors to this will and guardian to my son, William Brooke, and desire that he may have as good an education as the profits of his estate will allow, and when he comes to be of the proper age he may be put to some creditable business. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my seal, the 25th ———, 1781.

GEO. BROOKE.

My desire is that my estate may not be appraised. This will is wrote by my own hand, and the several erasures and interlineations made by ———.

At a court held for King & Queen county, the 13th day of May, 1782. This instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of George Brooke, dec'd, was presented in court by Robert Price, one of the executors named in the will, who made oath thereto according to law; and the court being fully satisfied the same was wrote by the testator's own hand, was admitted to record. And on the motion of the said executor and his giving security, certificate was granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste: Rich'd Tunstall, Jr., Cl'k.

A Copy—Teste: Geo. B. Poindexter, D. C.

A Copy—Teste: Rd. Jeffries, Cl'k.

Colonel George Brooke, of Mantapike, married Anna Tunstall. His children married as follows: Richard, married Maria Mercer, daughter of old John Mercer, of "Marlboro," by his second wife, Miss Roy, daughter of Mungo Roy (John Mercer's first wife was Catherine Mason, aunt of George Mason, of "Gunston Hall," by whom he had, George and James and John and Sarah Ann Mason Mercer, the last named of whom married Samuel Selden, of "Salvington," and her daughter,

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\* One copy of the will here has "Robert" instead of Richard.

Anne Mercer Selden, married John Taliaferro Brooke); William, *d. s. p.*; Elizabeth, married Robert Price; Catherine, married Richard Tunstall; Mary, married Baylor Hill; Hannah, *d. s. p.*; Humphrey Brooke, of Fauquier, brother of Colonel George, of Mantapike, married, first, Ann Whiting, second, Mildred, who had been the second wife and widow of Colonel Francis Tomkies, of Gloucester county.

WILL OF WILLIAM BROOKE, son of George Brooke, of Mantapike.

In the name of God Amen. I, William Brooke of the County of King and Queen, being in an enfeebled state of health, but of sound mind and memory, do make and establish this writing as my last will and testament. Imprimis. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be first paid. Secondly. I do hereby direct that all my lands in King William County be sold upon such credit as my executor herein named shall think proper and that the money arising from such sale, I give and dispose of in the following manner, that is to say, one-third of the money arising from the sale of the above mentioned Lands to my brother Richard Brooke, one other third to my sister Catherine Tunstall, and the other third to be equally divided among the three children of my deceased sister Mary Hill. Thirdly. I give unto my nephew Thos. Dan. Price the sum of three hundred pounds and my negro man Curtis. Fourthly, I give to the two unmarried daughters of Robert Price, they being my neices, to each a female negro child (the word, the, twice interlined before signed). Fifthly, It is my will and desire that the remainder of my negroes and personal estate of what kind soever be equally divided between my brother Richard Brooke, my sister Catherine Tunstall and the three children of my deceased sister Mary Hill, that is to say, one-third part to my brother, Richard Brooke, one third part to my sister Catherine Tunstall, and the other third part to the three children of my deceased sister Mary Hill to be equally divided among them. Sixthly. I give to my brother Richard Brooke the legacy left me in money by my father's will, amounting I believe to one hundred and twenty-five pounds. Seventhly. I do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Richard Brooke executor of this my last will and testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of February, 1804.

WILLIAM BROOKE. [Seal.]

Witnesses: H. Young, Charles Smith, George M. Brooke.

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#### A GENEALOGY OF THE HERNDON FAMILY.

(Compiled by JOHN W. HERNDON, Alexandria, Va.)

(CONTINUED)

195. Margaret Whiteley Herndon,<sup>7</sup> b. Mch. 23, 1811; d. 1884. She m., 1829, Henry L. Minor (No. 240), of "Woodlawn," who d. May or June,